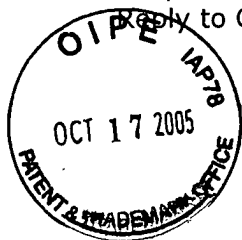


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RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 17, 2005, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** are on page of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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